## Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the first paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, immediately following the title:

## -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part application claiming priority from Application No. 10/607,591, filed June 27, 2003, with inventorship listed as Mark Ronald Plesko and David Read Tarditi, Jr., with attorney reference no. 3382-64706, entitled, "TYPE SYSTEM FOR REPRESENTING AND CHECKING CONSISTENCY OF HETEROGENEOUS PROGRAM COMPONENTS DURING THE PROCESS OF COMPILATION," which is hereby incorporated herein by reference--.